

**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Expedited Procedure – Art Unit 1638**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of: | Confirmation No.: 2792 |
| CHAN <i>et al.</i> | Art Unit: 1638 |
| Appl. No.: 10/520,033 | Examiner: Stuart F. Baum |
| Filed: December 30, 2004 | Atty. Docket: 2510.0040000/JAG/SAC |
| For: Transcription Factor Gene Induced by Water Deficit Conditions And Abscisic Acid From Helianthus Annuus, Promoter And Transgenic Plants | |

Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 11, 2009, Applicants submit the following
Remarks.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.